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**Cc:** Pieh, Luseni[Pieh.Luseni@epa.gov]; Cep, Melinda -OSEC[Melinda.Cep@osec.usda.gov]  
**From:** Britton, Joe - OSEC  
**Sent:** Wed 8/12/2015 7:25:52 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Time to chat re Gold King Mine release in Colorado

Looping Melinda. She is running by our general counsel what sort of authority we might use to partner with you all on:

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I think our thought was we could potentially use our authority/contacts/contracts/experience if you all had dollars to support the work.

On Aug 12, 2015, at 12:06 PM, Fritz, Matthew <Fritz.Matthew@epa.gov> wrote:

Dan and Lou,

Joe and I will touch base in a bit. Thanks.

**From:** Britton, Joe - OSEC [mailto:Joe.Britton@osec.usda.gov]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 11:30 AM  
**To:** Christenson, Daniel - OSEC; Pieh, Luseni  
**Cc:** Fritz, Matthew  
**Subject:** RE: Time to chat re Gold King Mine release in Colorado

I just missed you all. Can you give me a call when you can at: Personal Phone/Ex. 6 }

**From:** Christenson, Daniel - OSEC  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 12, 2015 9:59 AM  
**To:** Pieh, Luseni  
**Cc:** Fritz, Matthew; Britton, Joe - OSEC  
**Subject:** RE: Time to chat re Gold King Mine release in Colorado

Lou, thanks for the call this morning. I think it would be good for Matt to connect with Joe

Britton in our office. I had a chance to do a quick poll this morning and Joe has been hearing about some water access issues on the ground in CO. We also have some potential resources/capacity that we might be able to bring to the table to help if needed.

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**From:** Pieh, Luseni [<mailto:Pieh.Luseni@epa.gov>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 11, 2015 5:38 PM

**To:** Baenig, Brian - OSEC; Christenson, Daniel - OSEC

**Cc:** Fritz, Matthew

**Subject:** Time to chat re Gold King Mine release in Colorado

Hey guys –

Hope you're well. Matt and I were hoping to find some time to check-in with you about the Gold King Mine release that happened in Colorado. Any chance you're available at 9 or 9:30am a quick call?

Thanks,

Lou

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Luseni Pieh

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